

District 5

Meeting Minutes

August 1, 2007

Meeting called to order by Tim Hanson at 7:30 PM. Introductions and welcomed everyone.

Secretary's Report: Presented by Kurt Lofrano. **Hutch. motion; STMA second – secretary's report approved.**

Treasurer's Report: Presented by Doug Kephart, distributed register report, balance \$29,029.55, referee's account \$2,276.12 and savings account \$4,646.43. Doug has taken on the role of MN Hockey Director, so treasurer is an open position. Two individuals have expressed interest, if interested, contact Tim. **LDC motion; Cold Spring second – Treasurer's report approved.**

MN Hockey Report: Presented by Doug Kephart.

- 1) E-Directory – get info. into MN Hockey ASAP, info. on website.
- 2) Registration Coordinators – Meeting Saturday August 11 at Daniels in Cokato, must be in attendance.
- 3) Host Packages Due – Bantam A West – Willmar, Bantam B West – Sartell, PW A State – Willmar. 12U B National Regional – need an answer from STMA by 8/15 or it will be offered to MAML.
- 4) Girls – Doug – Distributed handout, need contact information by August 6. Looking at a mid August meeting. Looking for host of 8U jamboree, Hutch. and LDC interested. Girl's leagues, if not enough for D-5 league, D-10 has asked us to join. Sartell 14U girls – combined with St. Cloud and Sauk Rapids, need letter from board.
- 5) Tournaments – Tracy Gurneau is coordinator.
- 6) Buffalo Squirt B "Tryout" Tournament – Nov. 9-11 – will not sign roster from D-5 for this tournament, due to hassle with signing new rosters.
- 7) MN Made Hockey – independent private company and not affiliated with MN Hockey, not allowed to compete against them.

Coaches' Report: Presented by Paul Willett.

- 1) Clinics – to be posted by Sept. 1, if interested in hosting a Level 1, contact Paul, would like to have 3 in district. Most of the state should be posted by mid September, on USA Hockey website.
- 2) Level 4 Clinics – in MN, October 10 – 12 Duluth. Also in Bismarck, September 24 – 26.
- 3) ACE Meeting – State level in August.

Referee's Report: Presented by Steve Kirshbaum.

- 1) Clinics - 10/2 Buffalo Civic Center, 6:30 PM - 10:00 PM Level 3, 10/10 Hutchinson Event Center 6:30 PM - 10:00 PM Level 3, 10/13 Monticello Middle School 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM Levels 1 & 2, 10/20 Litchfield Civic Center 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM Levels 1 & 2. Other clinics also on USA Hockey website, it opened today.
- 2) Always looking for officials.
- 3) LDC is joining WSOA, Sartel still undecided.

Old Business:

- 1) Written rules for Mites, will get in place.

New Business:

- 1) Mandatory Meetings – sheet distributed, check website for any changes
 - a. Registrars meeting – August 11 – 9:30 AM – Daniels in Cokato.
 - b. Scheduling Meeting – September 26 – 7:00 PM – Daniels (remember if hosting D-5 playoffs, block ice time, check the D-5 website for more information).
 - c. Presidents, coaches and team managers – October 27 – Dassel-Cokato High School, time TBA. Each team and association must be represented.
- 2) MN Whitecaps game – D-5 to pay for 3 hrs. ice time, approved at yearend executive board meeting in Buffalo.
- 3) Team Slotting – completed – contact Tim if any changes, will finalize in September.
- 4) Buffalo – split schedule E/W at "A" level, PW and Bantam. Discussed in detail, Bob J. addressed, Buffalo has now requested an independent schedule, D-5 board sticking to by-laws, Buffalo can pursue if desired. Doug Foster suggested penalties for not following D-5 bylaws.
- 5) Recognition of Tim Sweezo's time and dedication – 20 years of service – bring back to boards for suggestions.

Meeting adjourned at 8:33 PM, Hutch. motion, STMA second. Next meeting is September 5, 7:30 PM at Daniel's in Cokato. Submitted by Kurt Lofrano